

MEMORANDUM

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From: Eluid L. Martinez
Commissioner

Subject: Year 2000 Embedded Microchip Program and Reclamation's Power Resources

In consideration of the importance of Reclamation dams and power facilities in providing water and power products and services in the Western United States, it is essential that we make the resolution of potential Year 2000 (Y2K) problems our highest priority.

Reclamation will demonstrate to the Department of the Interior, the Office of Management and Budget, the General Accounting Office, the Congress, and the American public that we are doing everything possible to anticipate and resolve Y2K problems. Although we have been aggressively working for some time addressing Y2K concerns, there is still much to be done.

Electric power has been ranked among the top national concerns in terms of potential system failures at the turn of the century. Therefore, we must ensure that Reclamation's power generation facilities, as well as all vital water facilities, are not adversely affected by Y2K problems.

In light of the importance of our water and power operations, I have appointed Mr. Michael **Roluti, Manager** of the Power Resources Office (D-5400), to be the Reclamation Y2K embedded microchip (EMC) coordinator. Questions concerning the EMC program should be directed to Mr. Roluti at (303) 445-2923 or by E-mail: mroluti@do.usbr.gov.

Mr. Roluti will lead Reclamation's EMC efforts, working closely with regional EMC coordinators area office staff, and the EMC Technical Advisory Group (TAG). Mr. Roluti will coordinate all EMC efforts with the Department and with other agencies.

Mr. Roluti also will direct all of Reclamation's Y2K electric power initiatives. This role includes:

- o Representing Reclamation on all Government-wide Y2K power committees and power system stability coordinating councils. This will include the President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion, Energy Working Group.
- * Facilitating the solution of power-related Y2K compliance issues for critical systems such as Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems,
- o Assisting area and regional offices interfacing with power marketing administrations on Y2K power data exchange and power system operation contingency planning.

I expect all Reclamation employees and contractors to give Mr. Roluti full support in addressing and resolving all Y2K EMC issues. Mr. Roluti will advise me on all Reclamation Y2K electric power issues. Therefore, please coordinate all such concerns and activities through his office.

I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for all Y2K efforts being made throughout Reclamation. As always, Reclamation staff is accepting and meeting this challenge in exemplary style.

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